

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

Board Meeting Minutes Professional Licensing Boards 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA October 31, 2012 9:30 a.m.

Board Members Present

Edsel Davis, President
Henry Bohn
Beckey Malphus
John Sundstrom
Larry Corry

Staff Present

Amelia Baker, Assistant Attorney General
Lisa Durden, Division Director
Tanja Battle, Executive Director
Tamara Elliott, Board Support Specialist

Visitors Present

Anji R. Bodana
Mason Loudermilk
Scott Piper, GVMA

Open Session

Dr. Davis established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 9:28am.

Introduction of visitors:

Dr. Davis welcomed the visitors.

Presentation by Deputy Secretary of State Kelly Farr

Deputy Kelly Farr presented a PowerPoint Presentation on PLB Revenues and Budget. Deputy Farr specifically discussed call center statistics and the impact of the requirement of Secure and Verifiable Documents. Also discussed legislation regarding the streamlining of the licensing process and the use of peer reviewers as it pertains to practice matters.

Approval of minutes from the August 23, 2012 Board Meeting

Dr. Malphus made a motion to approve the Board minutes. Dr. Sundstrom seconded the motion and the Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Report of Licenses Issued August 15, 2012-October 24, 2012

Dr. Bohn made a motion, Dr. Corry seconded and the Board voted unanimously to accept the Report of Licenses Issued August 15, 2012-October 24, 2012.

Correspondence from Henry Bohn

The Board held a conversation regarding rehabilitation services. Scott Piper, with GVMA, confirmed that this was currently a hot topic in the industry and that all states had begun looking into it. Dr. Bohn and Scott Piper are to collaborate & report on rehabilitation services and possible rules for such at the next meeting.

Correspondence from Anji Reddy Bodana

Dr. Malphus made a motion, Dr. Corry seconded and the Board voted unanimously to deny the request. The Board further requested that Dr. Bodana complete forty hours of observation/shadowing of licensed veterinarians in three different clinical settings before it would consider lifting probation. Dr. Bodana insisted that, per a previous decision, he did not owe any additional monies to the Board. Staff will research this and communicate findings to Dr. Bodana.

Discussion: Reciprocity/Endorsement

Staff brought up an issue regarding confusion regarding the availability of licensure by reciprocity as there is mention of such on the application for licensure. Ms. Baker clarified that the law does not provide for licensure by reciprocity. The Board agreed to allow staff to amend the application to remove this language.

Discussion: Veterinary Technicians Policy

The Board asked that the policy for Veterinary Technician be amended to reflect CE changes.

Discussion: Rule 700-8-01

The Board inquired as to whether or not this rule had been amended. It was voted on in December 2011, however, did not appear to be updated. Staff is to research and report back to the Board at the next meeting.

Discussion: NPI Numbers

The Board discussed NPI numbers as not be required by Veterinarians. The Board further discussed that DEA numbers are required.

Rule Waiver: 700-16-.01 from Obboye Miriam

Dr. Malphus made a motion to deny the rule waiver request. Dr. Sundstrom seconded the motion and the Board voted in favor of the motion. There was no evidence of a substantial hardship and no evidence that the underlying statute would be achieved through alternate means.

Rule Waiver: 700-6-.01 from Bethany Maxwell

After consideration of the petition, Dr. Malphus made a motion to grant the request. Dr. Bohn seconded, and the Board voted in favor of the motion.

2013 Board Meeting Dates

Dr. Corry made a motion, Dr. Malphus seconded and the Board voted unanimously to accept the board meeting dates presented with an amendment to the June 2013 date. These dates will be made available on the Board's website.

Dr. Malphus made a motion, Dr. Bohn seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-19(h)(2), and 43-11-47(h) to deliberate on enforcement matters and to receive information on investigative reports and the Assistant Attorney General's report. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Dr. Edsel Davis Dr. Henry Bohn; Dr. Beckey Malphus, Dr. John Sundstrom, and Dr. Larry Corry.

Executive Session

Appointments:

10:30 a.m. M.L.L.-Vet Applicant

11:00a.m. B.A.M.-Vet Applicant

11:30a.m. M.A.N.-Vet Tech Applicant

Applications:

1. B.A.A.
2. T.C.B.
3. B.J.C.
4. S.H.
5. R.H.M.
6. D.P.N.
7. R.A.O.
8. R.A.P.N.
9. R.M.R.
10. L.S.S.

Correspondence from K.J.C.

Investigative Interviews:

VET130018
VET120052
VET120073

Investigative Committee Report – Edsel Davis and Becky Malphus

VET120029
VET120036
VET120086
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Executive Director's Report –Tanja D. Battle

VTNE Scaled Score-GA

Attorney General's Report –Ms. Amelia Baker

VET004241

VET001423

No further discussion

Dr. Davis concluded Executive Session, in which no votes were taken, and declared the meeting back in Open Session.

OPEN SESSION

VOTE:

Dr. Malphus made a motion to approve the recommendations based on discussions in Executive Session as follows:

Appointments:

M.L.L.-Vet Applicant-approve

B.A.M. – Applicant-approve

M.A.N.-Vet Tech Applicant-approve

Applications:

1. B.A.A.-denied
2. T.C.B.-approve
3. B.J.C.-approve
4. S.H.-approve based on additional documentation
5. R.H.M.-denied
6. D.P.N.-approve
7. R.A.O.-approve reinstatement pending 10 hours of CE & will need 10hours before 12/31 to renew
8. R.A.P.N.-Schedule interview with full board
9. R.M.R.-Schedule interview with full board; bring a current letter from advocate saying she is safe to practice

Dr. Corry seconded the motion and the Board voted in favor of the motion.

Dr. Malphus made a motion to approve the recommendation based on discussion in Executive Session as follows:

10. L.S.S.-Schedule for Interview

Dr. Corry seconded the motion and the majority of the Board voted in favor of the motion. Dr. Bohn opposed the motion.

Correspondence from K.J.C

Dr. Sundstrom made a motion to refer KJC to the Attorney General's Office to amend the consent order, Dr. Malphus seconded the motion and the Board voted in favor of the motion.

Investigative Interviews

John Sundstrom made a motion to accept the recommendations based on discussions in Executive Session as follows:

VET130018-Request original records
VET120052- Mitigating circumstances letter
VET120073-Close with letter of concern

The Board voted on the following IC Reports:

VET110087/VET120053-Refer to Investigations
VET120029-Close with letter of concern
VET120036-Close with no violation
VET120086-Schedule for Interview
VET130002-Schedule for Interview
VET130004-Close with letter of concern
VET130008-Close with no violation
VET130009-Close with letter of concern
VET130010-Close with letter of concern
VET130011-Close with letter of concern
VET130012-Request Vet records and explanation
VET130013-Request Client information and records
VET130014-Close with no violation
VET130015-Schedule for Interview
VET130016-Request records from DVM
VET130017-Refer to investigations
VET130019-Close with no violation
VET130020-Close with letter of concern
VET130021-Refer to investigations
VET130022-Request for medical records
VET130025-Request respondent to voluntarily surrender license
VET130026-Refer to investigation
VET130027-Close with no violation
VET130028-Refer to dept of Agriculture
VET130031-Schedule for Interview

Dr. Malphus seconded the motion and the Board voted in favor of the motion.

Dr. Corry made a motion to close VET100070 with no action, Dr. Malphus seconded and the Board voted in favor of them motion.

Executive Director's Report-Tanja D. Battle

The Board discussed amending a rule regarding exam scores to be presented at the next meeting.

Attorney General's Report –Ms. Amelia Baker

Dr. Malphus voted to accept the order upon receipt for W. M., Dr. Bohn seconded the motion and Board voted in favor of the motion.

Reviews:

Dr. Corry voted to close case VET100070 with no action, Dr. Malphus seconded and the Board voted in favor of the motion.

No more business was discussed and the meeting adjourned at 4:17pm.

The next Veterinary Medicine Board meeting will be on Wednesday, December 5, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. at the Office of the Professional Licensing Boards, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217.

Edsel Davis, President
Georgia State Board of Veterinary Medicine

Date

Tanja Battle, Executive Director
Professional Licensing Boards Division

Date